

MAY 25, 2017

Good afternoon,

Last Thursday, over 50 fire crews battled an intense fouralarm fire on the Northwest side of San Antonio. The men and women of the San Antonio Fire Department bravely battled and contained the blaze, but sadly, one firefighter perished.

My deepest condolences go out to the family of firefighter
Scott Deem who lost his life in the line of duty last night. Only a special and
courageous kind of human knowingly risks their life day in and day out to keep our
community safe.

I wish the two firefighters who were seriously injured a speedy recovery. While you are saddened by the loss of your colleague, friend, and brother just know that the community, as it always does, stands ready to support their firefighters in whatever way possible.

Thank you to the San Antonio Fire Department for continuing to protect our community.

Services for Scott Deem:

Public visitation - Thursday from 6:30 to 9 p.m. in the chapel at Porter Loring, 1101 McCullough Ave.

Fire apparatus procession - will leave from the Alamodome on Friday starting at 9 a.m.

Funeral service - Friday at 1 p.m. at Community Bible Church, 2477 N. Loop 1604 East. Please use entrances off Gold Canyon Road or Sonterra Boulevard.

Yours in service,

Roberto C. Treviño City Councilman District 1

Property Tax Forum

Thank you to everyone who attended the 2nd annual District 1 Property Tax Forum Monday evening at Asbury United Methodist Church. Those in attendance had the opportunity to speak Bexar County Chief Appraiser Michael Amezquita about property evaluations as well as laws and processes currently in place.



Attendees also received an informative bilingual one-pager which includes the new property tax rates as well breaks down how property taxes are allocated. Please click here to view the Understanding Your Property Taxes one-pager. I hope the presentation and the Q & A session broadened your understanding of the appraisal and protest process. Please contact my office at (210) 207-0900 with any questions.

Click here to review Property Tax Guide.

NCDs to Receive Weekly Notifications

On Thursday, City Council unanimously approved a UDC amendment to the notification procedures in Article 4 of Chapter 35 that I drafted. This amendment would provide weekly notifications to registered neighborhood

associations presidents for permits and preliminary plan review meetings. Historic District permits will also be included in the list of permit notifications. All reports will be identified on DSD website and on the City Council websites.

Weekly notifications will be in the form of an email of the link to the website where all reports are already displayed. The email will be a courtesy notice to the registered neighborhood associations. Failure to send or receive the notification will not restrict the issuance of the permit.

DSD is working with ITSD on a long term solution for technology options to have the reports sent automatically to the registered Neighborhood Association Presidents.

Spanish Translations

Over 63% of San Antonio's population has Hispanic or Latino roots. That is why I filed a Council Consideration Request last February aimed at providing Spanish translations at more public meetings and hearings. When English is the second language for many of our citizens, it is often difficult for them to understand what is happening during a meeting - especially a meeting filled with technical details like a city council meeting. Matters under consideration by the City have a broad impact on the community, so it is critical that information is not only accessible to everyone but comprehensible as understanding is at the very heart of good governance.

That is why I am glad the ordinance authorizing a professional services contract with Sepro Tec Multilingual Solutions, LLC, to provide on-site simultaneous Spanish Language interpreter services at each City Council A and B Session including, City Council Ceremonials, Citizens to be Heard, Special Sessions, Special Meetings, other City Council Public Meetings, and other City Department Public Meetings was approved last Thursday.

Just remember, estamos agradecidos de vivir en una ciudad diversa.

Barbara Drive

The ordinance approving a construction contract to SB Contractors, LLC. for the Barbara Drive Drainage Project and three alternates in the amount of \$6,189,915.55 was unanimously passed by council.

The Barbara Drive Project provides for the reconstruction of the existing drainage system, consisting of both a concrete channel and an underground storm sewer, with a 150-foot wide earthen channel designed to contain the 100-year floodplain. Improvements also include the realignment of Basin Drive from Shannon Lee Drive to the alley north of Sharon Drive.

Project construction is anticipated to begin in June 2017 and estimated to be completed by October 2018.

EXTRAS

Comprehensive Plan E-mail Sign Up
Comprehensive Plan Input Form
Sustainability Plan Notification Sign Up
Transportation Plan Notification Sign Up
SpeakUp San Antonio Budget Survey

EVENTS

SAPD Cadet Graduation

When: May 26, 2017 Time: 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Location: St. Phillips College - 1801 Martin Luther King Dr.

Senior Summer Celebration

Hosted by: District 1 and United Healthcare

When: June 2, 2017

Time: 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Location: Blessed Sacrament Church - 600 Oblate

Early Voting

When: May 30th - June 3rd (8:00 AM - 6:00 PM)

CLOSED June 4th

June 5th - June 6th (8:00 AM - 8:00 PM)

Please click HERE for poll locations

Election Day

When: June 10, 2017 Time: 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Please click HERE to find your poll location

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